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## Manatu o le Eseta

A o alo atu le Au Kerisiano i le lalolagi e faamanatu le taulaga tutasi a le Alii o Iesu Keriso, se'i o tatou manatua faatasi le uiga loloto o lenei vaitau o le Eseta, o le FAAMOEMOE, ia o tatou maua se amataga fou ina ua tuana'i le osigātaulaga o le alofa moni. O le alofa na auina mai ai e le Atua lona Alo e toatasi e fai ma taulaga e magalo ai a tatou agasala.

I lenei tausaga, ua tatou faailogaina le Eseta a o feagai le lalolagi atoa i aafiaga o le faama'i oti o le KOVITI -19. Ou te faamalosi i lo tatou atunuu pele ia taofī mau lo tatou faatuatua, ona o lo tatou faatuatua, talitonuga, ma manatu faavae o loo fesoasoani ia i tatou i taimi o lu'itau ogaoga. Ia tatou maua i lenei Eseta le faamoemoe e i'u lava ina mavae ese atu lenei fitā.

Ia faatumulia i tatou ta'itoatasi i le olioli o le Eseta ma faamanuiaga o le alofa tunoa o Keriso e leai sona mutaaga, o tatou aiga ma afioaga, ma lo tatou Teritori pele i lenei vaitau o le faamanatuina o le maliu ma le toe soifua manumalo mai o lo tatou Faaola, ma aso uma lava.

As Christians worldwide come together to commemorate our Lord Jesus Christ's ultimate sacrifice, let us be reminded that the Easter season symbolizes HOPE. Hope for a new beginning following a sacrifice made out of pure love. This love whereby God sent his only begotten Son to be the sacrifice by which our sins are forgiven.

This year we celebrate Easter under the shadow of a global pandemic COVID-19; I urge our people to hold firm to our faith as it is often our faith, beliefs, and values that help us through these difficult and challenging times. May the spirit of Easter give you hope that this too shall pass.

May the joys of Easter and the blessings of Christ's infinite grace fill our lives, our families, our community, and our beloved Territory this season and always.

The signature is handwritten in black ink, appearing to read "LEMANU P. S. MAUGA".  
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